



within one calendar year from the date of the scheduling conference. The dates of the status conference and pretrial conference will be set by the Court.

3. **Discovery Event Limitations:** Counsel representing parties in relatively complex matters who expect to require relief from the limitations on discovery events set forth in Local Rule 26.2(c) should be prepared to address that issue at the scheduling conference.
4. **Settlement Proposals:** Each defendant shall present to the plaintiff(s) a written response to the plaintiff(s)' settlement proposal(s) no later than seven days prior to the scheduling conference.
5. **Session Standing Orders:** Attached to this Notice is a copy of general guidelines for this session. Counsel should familiarize themselves with these guidelines.

*\*Please respond either way to the below inquiry \**

6. **Rule 16 Conference:** In the joint submission, the parties shall state whether they recommend that the Court should (a) cancel the Rule 16 Conference and adopt the parties joint statement; (b) permit counsel to attend the Rule 16 Conference by telephone or (c) convene an in-person Rule 16 Conference

By the Court,

/s/ Mariliz Montes  
Deputy Clerk to  
Leo T. Sorokin, U.S.D.J.